

REMARKS

Due to a clerical error, no claims 8 or 9 were presented originally or in the Preliminary Amendment for this application. Therefore, when the Listing of Claims was presented in the Reply dated December 29, 2006, claims 8 and 9 were identified as “(no claim was submitted)”. This is not one of the accepted identifiers for claims, and as a result, a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was sent.

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, all claims pending the application have been canceled and new claims 16 to 34 have been added. This approach to achieving compliance was taken following a conversation with Ms. Nichelle Peterson, a Legal Instruments Examiner, on January 26, 2006. These new claims correspond to the claims previously being examined as follows:

<u>Previously Numbered</u>	<u>Current Numbering</u>
1-7	16-22
8-9	-
10-15	23-28
16-21 (new)	29-34 (new)

New claims 29-34 correspond to new claims 16-21 that were included in the December 29, 2005 Reply. However, since those new claims 16-21 were not accepted as a result of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment, Applicants have started the claim numbering at claim 16 in this Reply.

The following paragraph was presented in the December 29, 2005 Reply. It has been amended to identify the claims as currently numbered:

In the claims, claims 1 (now 16) and 2 (now 17) have been amended to recite that the planar wiring is printed on the substrate (claim 1 (now 16)) or the propagation medium (claim 2 (now 17)). Claim 4 (now 19) has been amended to delete the multiple dependencies. Furthermore, in order to eliminate multiple dependencies, new dependent claims 16 to 21 (now 29-34) have been added. Basis for claim 16 (now 29) is found in original claim 3 (now 18); basis for claim 17 (now 30) is found in original claim 4 (now 19); basis for claims 18 to 20 (now 31-33) is found in original claim 5 (now 20); and basis for claim 21 (now 34) is found in original claim

6 (now 21). (Note that there are currently 19 claims pending in the application, as no claims 8 or 9 were presented originally or in the Preliminary Amendment.)

Fee

Applicants believe that no fee is due for reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. If that is incorrect, please charge the fee for this Reply (and any other necessary fees) to Deposit Account No. 18-0560.

Conclusion

It is believed that this application is now in condition for allowance and such action at an early date is earnestly requested. If, however, there are any outstanding issues which can be usefully discussed by telephone, the Examiner is asked to call the undersigned.

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